

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Kei Tashiro et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1796
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Application No.: 10/591,524	)	Examiner: Liam J. HEINCER
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§ 371(c) date: September 1, 2006	)	
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Filed: September 15, 2005	)	Confirmation No.: 2979
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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING DEPROTEINIZED NATURAL RUBBER LATEX		

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

This Reply and Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 2, 2008, the period for response having been extended one month by the accompanying petition and fee. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment sections of this paper.